Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A printer system comprising:

a first communication interface configured to receive a humidity value from a toner cartridge; and

printer components configured to electronically control <u>a</u> printing operation based on the humidity value; [[.]]

wherein the printer components are configured to use a default value if the humidity value is not available during the print operation.

2. (Original) The printer system of claim 1 further comprising a toner cartridge configured for coupling to the printer system and that comprises:

a humidity sensor configured to detect a humidity level and generate the humidity value to correspond with humidity level; and

a second communication interface configured to transfer the humidity value from the humidity sensor to the first communication interface.

- 3. (Original) The printer system of claim 1 wherein the printer components are configured to configure a dither matrix based on the humidity value.
- 4. (Original) The printer system of claim 3 wherein the printer components are configured to select the dither matrix form a plurality of dither matrices based on the humidity value.
- 5. (Original) The printer system of claim 3 wherein the printer components are configured to scale the dither matrix by applying the humidity value to a response curve.

- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Original) The printer system of claim 1 wherein the printer components are configured to determine a humidity range corresponding to the humidity value.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The printer system of claim 1 wherein:
 the first communication interface is configured to receive the humidity value
 from the toner cartridge in real-time; and

the printer components configured to electronically control printing operation based on the humidity value in real-time.

- 9. (Original) The printer system of claim 1 wherein the printer components are configured to produce monochrome copies.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A method of operating a printer system, the method comprising:

receiving a humidity value form a toner cartridge; [[and]]
electronically controlling printing operation based on the humidity value;
[[.]] and

reconfiguring printer components if the humidity value has changed after a set time period, a set number of copies, and a set number of power cycles.

- 11. (Original) The method of claim 10 further comprising, in the toner cartridge: detecting a humidity level; generating the humidity value to correspond with the humidity level; and transferring the humidity value from the toner cartridge to the printer system.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein controlling the printing operation based on the humidity value comprises configuring a dither matrix based on the humidity value.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 12 wherein configuring the dither matrix based on the humidity value comprises selecting the dither matrix from a plurality of dither matrices based on the humidity value.

- 14. (Original) The method of claim 12 wherein configuring the dither matrix based on the humidity value comprises applying the humidity value to a response to curve to scale the dither matrix.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein controlling the printing operation based on the humidity value comprises using a default value if the humidity value is not available.
- 16. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein controlling the printing operation based on the humidity value comprises determining a humidity range corresponding to the humidity value.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10 wherein:

receiving the humidity value from the toner cartridge comprises receiving the humidity value from the toner cartridge in real-time; and

electronically controlling the printing operation based on the humidity value comprises controlling the printing operation based on the humidity value in real-time.

- 18. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein controlling the printing operation based on the humidity value comprises producing monochrome copies.
- 19. (Currently Amended) A toner cartridge comprising: toner for a printer system;

a humidity sensor configured to detect a humidity level and generate a humidity value that corresponds to the humidity level; [[and]]

a communication interface configured to transfer the humidity value from the humidity sensor to the printer system to electronically control a printing operation;

[[.]] and

printer components that are configured to use a default value if the humidity value is not available during the print operation.

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20. (Original) The toner cartridge of claim 19 wherein the humidity sensor is configured to generate the humidity value to correspond to a humidity range for the humidity level.